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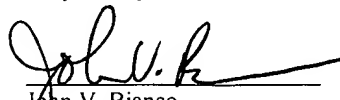
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SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the patents and publications listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the patents and publications are enclosed.

REMARKS

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.97, this statement is being filed (CHECK ONE):

- ☐ (1) within three (3) months of the **filing date** of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d), or within three (3) months of the **date of entry of the national stage** as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.491 in an international application, or before the mailing of the **first Office action** on the merits, or before the mailing of a **first Office action** after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114; or
- ☒ (2) after the period defined in (1) but before the mailing date of a **final action** or a **notice of allowance** under 37 C.F.R. 1.311, and
- ☒ the requisite Statement is below, **OR**
- ☐ the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), namely **\$180.00**, is included herein, or
- ☐ (3) after the mailing date of a **final action** or **notice of allowance** but before the payment of the **issue fee**, **AND**

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- ☐ the requisite Statement is below, **AND**
- ☐ the requisite petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), namely **\$180.00** is included herein.

In addition, Applicants wish to call to the Examiner's attention Office Actions issued in the following commonly-owned, co-pending patent applications:

- 1) U.S. Serial No. 09/841,325, Attorney Docket No. MDS-009CN, filed on 4/24/01, by Modell et al.;
- 2) U.S. Serial No. 09/591,706, Attorney Docket No. MDS-012, filed on 6/9/00, by Nordstrom et al.;
- 3) U.S. Serial No. 09/738,614, Attorney Docket No. MDS-013A, filed on 12/15/00, by Kaufman et al.;
- 4) U.S. Serial No. 10/068,133, Attorney Docket No. MDS-013AC2, filed on 2/5/02, by Kaufman et al.;
- 5) U.S. Serial No. 09/738,147, Attorney Docket No. MDS-013B, filed on 12/15/00, by Kaufman et al.;
- 6) U.S. Serial No. 10/411,777, Attorney Docket No. MDS-013BC1, filed on 4/11/03, by Kaufman et al.;
- 7) U.S. Serial No. 10/178,772, Attorney Docket No. MDS-014CN, filed on 6/24/02, by Modell et al.;
- 8) U.S. Serial No. 10/122,429, Attorney Docket No. MDS-015CN, filed on 4/12/02, by Nordstrom et al.;
- 9) U.S. Serial No. 09/481,762, Attorney Docket No. MDS-016, filed on 1/11/00, by Modell et al.;
- 10) U.S. Serial No. 10/071,932, Attorney Docket No. MDS-022C1, filed on 2/8/02, by Nordstrom et al.;
- 11) U.S. Serial No. 10/192,820, Attorney Docket No. MDS-028, filed on 7/10/02, by Schomacker et al.;
- 12) U.S. Serial No. 10/099,881, Attorney Docket No. MDS-030, filed on 3/15/02, by Kaufman et al.;
- 13) U.S. Serial No. 10/273,511, Attorney Docket No. MDS-031, filed on 10/18/02, by Clune et al.;
- 14) U.S. Serial No. 10/192,836, Attorney Docket No. MDS-032, filed on 7/10/02, by Zelenchuk;
- 15) U.S. Serial No. 10/243,535, Attorney Docket No. MDS-033, filed on 9/13/02, by Schomacker et al.;
- 16) U.S. Serial No. 10/295,794, Attorney Docket No. MDS-034, filed on 11/15/02, by Schomacker et al.;
- 17) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,922, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035, filed on 4/18/03, by Flewelling et al.;
- 18) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,902, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035A, filed on 4/18/03, by Jiang et al.;
- 19) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,974, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035B, filed on 4/18/03, by Jiang;
- 20) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,668, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035D, filed on 4/18/03, by Costa et al.;
- 21) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,975, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035E, filed on 4/18/03, by Jiang et al.;
- 22) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,415, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035F, filed on 4/18/03, by Schomacker et al.;
- 23) U.S. Serial No. 10/419,181, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035G, filed on 4/18/03, by Jiang et al.; and
- 24) U.S. Serial No. 10/418,973, Attorney Docket No. MDS-035H, filed on 4/18/03, by Schomacker et al.

It is respectfully requested that each of the patents and publications listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and other information contained herein, be made of record in this application.

STATEMENT

As required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e), Applicant(s), through the undersigned, hereby state either that [check the appropriate space only if either (2) or (3) is checked on the previous page and the Statement is required]:

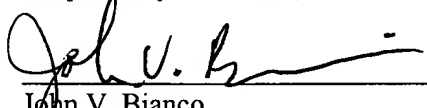
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I hereby certify that this correspondence, and any documents referred to as enclosed herein, is/are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on this 3rd day of October, 2003.


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Sir:

Submitted herewith are:

- (1) Transmittal Form (1 pg.);
- (2) Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (3 pgs.);
- (3) Second Supplemental Form-PTO – 1449 (1 pg.);
- (4) Copies of IDS Citations (A193-A195, B29); and
- (5) Return receipt postcard.

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FORM PTO - 1449 SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: MDS-020 APPLICANTS: Costa <i>et al.</i> SERIAL NO.: 09/738,612 FILING DATE: December 15, 2000 GROUP: 2863
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAM. INIT.		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	A193	5,199,431	04/06/93	Kittrell et al.	128	634	10/04/89
	A194	5,983,125	11/09/99	Alfano et al.	600	473	09/01/95
	A195	6,021,344	02/01/00	Lui et al.	600	476	12/03/97

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAM. INIT.		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY CODE	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE	ABSTRACT ONLY	ENGLISH LANG (Y/N)
	B29	WO 00/59366	10/12/00	PCT			04/06/00		Y

OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.

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